

# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES



### NEWS RELEASE

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### **Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery News Release #31**

**KAMISHAK BAY DISTRICT:** Waters of the Kamishak Bay District excluding the McNeil and Paint River subdistricts, remain open on a seven day per week schedule until further notice. Effective at 12:01 AM on September 2, anadromous stream closures as described in 5AAC 21.350 (h) and (i), and in 5AAC39.290 are NO LONGER suspended in the waters of Bruin Bay west of 154° 03.00' W. long.

**OUTER DISTRICT:** The following areas remain open to regular Monday, Wednesday and Friday 16-hour fishing periods from 6:00 AM until 10:00 PM until further notice,

- the Koyuktolik (Dogfish Bay) Subdistrict west of the longitude of the lagoon channel, (151° 52.72' W. long),
- the Windy Bay Subdistrict, and
- the Rocky Bay Subdistrict.

The Port Dick Subdistrict is CLOSED.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT:** The following areas remain open to commercial **purse seine harvest** on regular Monday, Wednesday and Friday 16-hour fishing periods from 6:00 AM until 10:00 PM until further notice,

- waters of the China Poot Subdistrict, excluding the China Poot Special Harvest Area (SHA),
- waters of the Halibut Cove Subdistrict, excluding Halibut Cove Lagoon,
- waters of the Seldovia Subdistrict north of a line from 59° 24.14' N. lat., 151° 41.28' W. long., to 59° 23.90' N. lat., 151° 41.70' W. long. Anadromous waters regulations 5 AAC 21.350(h) and (i) are suspended until further notice in this area.
- waters of the Port Graham Subdistrict east of 151° 48.50' west longitude and north of a line from 59° 19.70' N. lat., 151° 46.25' W. long., to 59° 19.50' N. lat., 151° 46.75' W. long.; Anadromous waters regulations 5 AAC 21.350(h) and (i) are suspended until further notice in this area.
- waters of the Humpy Creek Subdistrict south of Mallard Bay (59° 40.74' N. lat.).

Regulatory closed waters (5 AAC 21.350) for Port Graham and Seldovia subdistricts have been modified to allow fishing in areas described in this announcement.

The China Poot SHA is defined in 5 AAC 21.373 as, "the marine waters of the China Poot Bay Subdistrict in the Southern District shoreward of and enclosed by a line from 59° 34.66' N. lat., 151° 19.27' W. long., to 59° 35.08' N. lat., 151° 19.77' W. long., to 59° 33.09' N. lat., 151° 25.22' W. long., to 59° 32.84' N. lat., 151° 24.90' W. long.;"

Also within the Southern District, commercial salmon **set gillnet harvest** remains open on a regular schedule of two 48-hour fishing periods per week, from 6:00 a.m. Monday until 6:00 a.m. Wednesday, and from 6:00 a.m. Thursday until 6:00 a.m. Saturday through September 30 as specified in 5 AAC 21.30. The Port Graham Subdistrict is open to commercial set gillnet harvest.

Closed waters as established by emergency order 2-F-H-001-12 on May 21, 2012 are listed below:

**5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters.**(a) Salmon may not be taken in any of the waters listed in this section.

(d) Southern District,

- (1) northeast of a line from a point at 59° 44.50' N. lat., 151° 02.10' W. long., to a point on the shore one-half statute mile southwest of the terminus of Swift Creek at 59° 47.15' N. lat., 151° 05.45' W. long.;
- (2) waters of China Poot Bay south and east of a line beneath the Homer Electric Association power line from a point on the north shore of the north arm of China Poot Bay at 59° 33.92' N. lat., 151° 15.42' W. long., to a point on the peninsula between the north and south arm of China Poot Bay at 59° 33.47' N. lat., 151° 15.71', to a point on the south shore of the south arm of China Poot Bay at 59° 33.21' N. lat., 151° 16.46' W. long.;
- (3) waters of Sadie Cove south of 59° 30.00' N. lat.;
- (4) waters of Tutka Bay southeast of 59° 25.50' N. lat.;
- (5) waters of Jakolof Bay south of 59° 28.07' N. lat.;

- (6) waters of Seldovia Bay south of a line from 59° 24.14' N. lat., 151° 41.28' W. long., to 59° 23.90' N. lat., 151° 41.70' W. long.;
- (7) waters of Port Graham Bay south of a line from 59° 19.70' N. lat., 151° 46.25' W. long., to 59° 19.50' N. lat., 151° 46.75' W. long.;
- (8) Northshore Subdistrict.
- (e) Kamishak Bay District
- (1) waters of Cottonwood Bay west of a line from 59° 38.39' N. lat., 153° 39.41' W. long., to 59° 37.68' N. lat., 153° 39.51' W. long.;
  - (2) Waters of Chenik Lagoon south and west of 59° 13.42' N. lat., 154° 07.32' W. long.;
  - (3) Waters of Iniskin Bay north of a line from 59° 46.05' N. lat., 153° 27.82' W. long., to 59° 46.69' N. lat., 153° 26.01' W. long.;
  - (4) Waters of Right Arm in Iniskin Bay east of a line from 59° 43.93' N. lat., 153° 22.83' W. long., to 59° 42.90' N. lat., 153° 22.86' W. long.;
  - (5) Waters of Ursus Cove west of a line from 59° 32.43' N. lat., 153° 46.06' W. long., to 59° 31.20' N. lat., 153° 45.74' W. long.;
- (f) Outer District, (1) waters of Port Chatham east of a line from 59° 13.32' N. lat., 151° 43.41' W. long., to 59° 12.59' N. lat., 151° 43.55' W. long.;
- (2) waters of Windy Bay west of 151° 32.85' W. long.;
  - (3) waters of Taylor Bay north of 59° 18.00' N. lat.;
  - (4) waters of Tacoma Cove and Sunday Harbor east of 151° 01.15' W. long.;
  - (5) waters of Koyuktolik (Dogfish Bay) east of a line from 59° 14.45' N. lat., 151° 52.72' W. long., to 59° 14.25' N. lat., 151° 52.90' W. long.;
  - (6) waters of Chugach Bay west of a line from 59° 11.36' N. lat., 151° 37.57' W. long., to 59° 11.03' N. lat., 151° 37.25' W. long.;
  - (7) waters of Rocky Bay inshore of a line from 59° 14.92' N. lat., 151° 23.82' W. long., to 59° 14.72' N. lat., 151° 23.32' W. long.;
  - (8) waters of Port Dick west of a line from 59° 18.16' N. lat., 151° 17.33' W. long., to 59° 18.60' N. lat., 151° 17.10' W. long.;
  - (9) waters of Middle Creek north of a line from 59° 18.18' N. lat., 151° 12.13' W. long., to 59° 18.08' N. lat., 151° 13.13' W. long.;
  - (10) waters of Island Creek inshore of a line from 59° 17.09' N. lat., 151° 08.78' W. long., to 59° 17.11' N. lat., 151° 08.30' W. long. and inshore of a line from 59° 17.04' N. lat., 151° 08.06' W. long., to 59° 16.88' N. lat., 151° 07.15' W. long., and including the waters northwest of the island between these two lines;
  - (11) waters of McCarty Fjord north of a line from 59° 37.52' N. lat., 150° 19.18' W. long., to 59° 37.03' N. lat., 150° 17.01' W. long.;
  - (12) waters of the East Nuka Subdistrict east of a line from a point north of the entrance to McCarty Lagoon at 59° 32.76' N. lat., by 150° 20.20' W. long. to a point offshore of the entrance of McCarty Lagoon at 59° 32.45' N. lat., by 150° 21.00' W. long., to a point south of the entrance of McCarty Lagoon at 59° 31.90' N. lat., by 150° 21.00' W. long.;
  - (13) waters of the East Nuka Subdistrict east of a line from a point north of the entrance to Desire Lake creek at 59° 35.02' N. lat., by 150° 17.86' W. long. to a point south of the entrance to Desire Lake creek at 59° 34.68' N. lat., by 150° 17.95' W. long.;
- (g) Eastern District, (1) waters of Resurrection Bay west of a line from a point near the old military dock pilings on the west shore of Resurrection Bay north of Caines Head at 60° 00.48' N. lat., 149° 24.20' W. long., to a point near the Seward Airport at 60° 07.49' N. lat., 149° 24.72' W. long.;
- (2) king and coho salmon may not be taken in waters of Resurrection Bay north of a line from Cape Resurrection (59° 52.00' N. lat., 149° 16.71' W. long.) to Aialik Cape (59° 42.39' N. lat., 149° 31.29' W. long.);
  - (3) waters of Aialik Bay north of 59° 53.47' N. lat.
- (h) In any bay, estuary, slough, or lagoon less than 300 feet in width at mean low tide.
- (i) In all other streams or rivers within 500 yards of the terminus or as posted as specified in 5AAC 39.290.

Permit holders are advised that unscheduled announcements based on current escapement data may occur at any time in season either establishing an additional period or extending an open period.

**The next scheduled salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, September 7.**

Announcement recordings are available on the 24-hour telephone recording in the Homer office at 907/235-7307.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealci.salmon>

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.